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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte: DAVID WONG

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Application No. 10/632,701 Technology Center 3600

Mailed: 13 February 2009

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Before LAWRENCE J. BANKS *Paralegal Specialist* BANKS, *Paralegal Specialist*.

#### ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on 16 December 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal.

Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

## Examiner's Answer

A review of the Examiner's Answer mailed on 7 August 2008 finds that the status of claims is different or unclear as compared to the last rejection of record and/or as compared to the Brief.

Specifically, the appellant filed an Appeal Brief on 27 May 2008. On page 5, under heading "Grounds of Rejection to be Reviewed on Appeal" the Appellant stated:

[C]laims 7, 22 and 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatententable [sic] over Spencer and Albazz as applied to claims 1 and 16, and in further view of Lee (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0615814); and claims 10-11, 25-26 and 36-37 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatententable [sic] over Spencer and Albazz as applied to claims 1, 16 and 27, and in further view of Tenorio (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0208424).

In response, an Examiner's Answer was mailed on 7 August 2008. While the Answer notes that "The appellant['s] statement of the grounds of rejection to be reviewed on appeal is correct . . ." [pages 6-7], the Examiner's Answer, the following § 103 rejections were made:

Claims 7, 22 and 33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 2004/0083156 A1 Spencer and Albbazz, as applied to claims 1 and 16 above, and in further view of US 2002/0165814 A1 Lee et al.

Claims 10-11, 25-26 and 36-37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 2004/0083156 A1 Spencer in view of US 2003/0208424 A1 Tenorio et al.

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A clarification of the ground of rejection is required.

## **CONCLUSION**

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) vacate the Examiner's Answer mailed 7 August 2008;
- 2) generate a new Examiner's Answer setting forth the correct Grounds of rejection and to correct other sections of the Answer as may be required;
- 3) include the approval of the TC Director or his/her designee (as required for any new grounds of rejection); and
  - 4) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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